

## **URBAN CORRIDORS OFFICE UPDATE**

### **BRIEFING PAPER**

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### **PURPOSE:**

To update the Commission on the status of four (4) Urban Corridors Office projects.

- Alaska Way Viaduct
- SR-520
- I-405
- SR-509

In addition, the Commission will be briefed on the current status of the Regional Transportation Investment District (RTID), and the funding vehicle that could provide resources for significant portions of these and other projects.

### **ACTION/OUTCOME:**

No action is required by the Commission.

### **BACKGROUND:**

The Urban Corridors Office Projects Teams are making progress on these four significant regional corridor projects. The I-405 Team has implemented an “integrated team” of almost 100 employees (20 state, 80 consultants) working full time on implementing the Nickel Projects in Kirkland, South Renton and Bellevue. A more corridor-wide concept design is also underway. The SR-520 Team reached a milestone by selecting the alternatives to be included in the EIS, and discipline reports are currently being developed. The Alaska Way Viaduct Team is reaching a major milestone next spring, the issuance of the project’s Draft EIS. The SR-509 Team is progressing with key design and early right-of-way acquisition.

### **DISCUSSION:**

The current status of, and a “look ahead” for, the key project activities will be provided to the Commission. Also, the December 11, 2003 RTID meeting, their recent public polling results, and future activities will be discussed.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

No recommendation is necessary.

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